Illinois Valley Regional Dispatch Board

LaSalle, Peru, Oglesby & Mendota ETSBs Meeting Minutes February 25, 2020

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was held Tuesday, February 25, 2020 at the Peru Municipal Building, 1901 4th Street, Peru, Illinois. Chairman Andy Bacidore called the meeting to order at 10:05 a.m.

ROLL CALL

Voting & Quorum Members Present:

Doug Bernabei, Jason Curran, John Duncan, Brian Fisher, Jeff Grove (10:07 a.m.), Scott Harl, Joe Hogan, Jim Knoblauch, Ron Popurella, Scott Samolinski (10:11 a.m.), Vice Chairman Greg Kellen, Chairman Andy Bacidore. Absent: David Boelk (Hunt), Jeff King, Dominic Rivara, Dennis Rutishauser

Non-Voting Members Present: City of Spring Valley

MINUTES

Chairman Bacidore presented the minutes of the IVRD meeting of January 28, 2020. Jim Knoblauch made a motion that the minutes be received and placed on file. Joe Hogan seconded the motion. All in favor; motion carried.

PUBLIC FORUM (CITIZEN COMMENT)

None

COMMUNICATIONS

None

COMMITTEE REPORTS

FIRE/EMS OPERATIONS COMMITTEE

The February meeting was cancelled due to weather-related issues.

LAW ENFORCEMENT OPERATIONS COMMITTEE

Doug Bernabei reported Scott Samolinski was elected chairman of the Law Enforcement Operations Committee at the January committee meeting. Committee members held general discussion of regular operations.

BUILDING & GROUNDS COMMITTEE

Mike Kmetz of Kmetz Architects provided a presentation of a potential renovated floor layout of the current IVRD building. The conceptual project would include a substantial demolition and overhaul of ceilings, lighting, HVAC, bathrooms, floors, electric, plumbing and finishes, along with installation of a new employee entrance on the west side of the building and modification of the window height and replacement of the windows, using good quality materials. Numbers of moving the existing server and equipment have not been plugged into the estimated costs yet. There are varying factors in determining an approximate cost of the project, and those costs were looked at conservatively, but are usually factored on the high end. The estimated grand total of the renovation is \$601,413. In response to Ron Popurella's question, Kmetz stated it is the intention to maintain the workspace as much as possible to allow TC's to continue working during construction. In response to a question from Joe Hogan, Kmetz said they have worked on related projects in Grundy County, New Lennox and LaSalle County EMA, and applied their experience in working on those projects toward the IVRD conceptual plan. Board members held general discussion on renovation items in the proposed plan and the terms of the proposed lease agreement with the city of Peru. Kmetz reported everything in the space would be touched, making it essentially new construction. In response to a question from Jeff Grove, Doug Bernabei said if the proposed new Peru Police Station moves forward, the Peru Police would hope to be out of the current building by May 2021. Kmetz reported their firm would follow the project from award to completion, including visits to the site. In response to a question from John Duncan, Kmetz confirmed the cost of their service was included in the estimated price.

In response to a question from Joe Hogan regarding the possible Mendota site, John Duncan stated no potential sites have been eliminated. Vendors were brought in to give a rough idea of costs to move equipment to Mendota. Board members held general discussion regarding the Mendota site, including potential costs to move equipment, purchase price, remodel, site maintenance and potential rental income from a tenant currently leasing a portion of the building. Joe Hogan stated he wants to make sure that Mendota is being considered fairly as a potential IVRD location. Jason Curran reported on the potential IVCC lease, including utilities, janitorial, etc. The largest space would be \$25,000 per year, with the drawback being the construction of the \$250,000 tower. Board members continued general discussion of the three potential sites.

Jeff Grove made a motion to have Kmetz Architects conduct an analysis of the Mendota location at a cost not to exceed the cost of the Peru location analysis. Scott Harl seconded the motion. Melissa Carruthers called the roll with Bernabei, Curran, Duncan, Fisher, Grove, Harl, Knoblauch, Popurella, Samolinski, Kellen and Bacidore voting aye; Hogan voting nay; Boelk (Hunt), King, Rivara and Rutishauser absent; motion carried.

Board members asked for input from the two TC's present at the meeting. Once TC expressed concern of possibly working in the building during construction, which may not create a good working environment. One TC reported some TC's are not wanting to relocate to Mendota.

Greg Kellen asked if PSAP Manager Fisher could do a straw poll of staff to see if they are willing or not willing to work in Mendota, adding that if the staff is not willing to move, that it would be a big factor in the equation.

NEW BUSINESS

Chairman Bacidore reported on a communication from Chief Darin Crask of the Earlville Police Department requesting the tabling of a motion listed under New Business regarding the lending of money for the Earlville PD to connect to fiber in Mendota, as he is considering connecting to the fiber in Earlville instead. PSAP Manager reported there are still issues and concern with the ongoing radio problems with the Earlville Police Department. Board members conducted general discussion regarding safety and liability concerns. Jason Curran made a motion to authorize purchase and installation of Earlville's fiber on the condition IVRD will be reimbursed by Earlville during their next appropriation. Joe Hogan seconded the motion. Melissa Carruthers called the roll with Bernabei, Curran, Duncan, Fisher, Harl, Hogan, Knoblauch, Popurella, Samolinski, Kellen and Bacidore voting aye; Boelk (Hunt), Grove, King, Rivara and Rutishauser absent; motion carried.

PERSONNEL UPDATE

None

LABOR MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

None

IVRD PSAP MANAGER REPORT

None

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

John Duncan made a motion to approve renewal of employee health insurance BCBS (Brennan and Stuart of LaSalle) effective 5/1/20 with an increase of 0.83%. Greg Kellen seconded the motion. Melissa Carruthers called the roll with Bernabei, Curran, Duncan, Fisher, Harl, Hogan, Knoblauch, Popurella, Samolinski, Kellen and Bacidore voting aye; Boelk (Hunt), Grove, King, Rivara and Rutishauser absent; motion carried.

Chairman Bacidore reported a meeting with WLPO next week to discuss the radio tower.

FINANCIAL REPORT

Justin Miller presented and reviewed updated January and February financial reports. John Duncan stated the board should begin to plan items for the new budget. PSAP Manager Fisher will begin to compile a list of what she foresees for new equipment in the near and long-term. Jim Knoblauch made a motion to receive and place the updated January and February financial reports on file and to approve and pay bills in the usual manner.

John Duncan seconded the motion. Melissa Carruthers called the roll with Bernabei, Curran, Duncan, Fisher, Harl, Hogan, Knoblauch, Popurella, Samolinski, Kellen and Bacidore voting aye; Boelk (Hunt), Grove, King, Rivara and Rutishauser absent; motion carried.

ACTIVITY REPORT

Chairman Bacidore presented and reviewed the January Activity Reports. Doug Bernabei made a motion to receive and place the January Activity Reports on file. Joe Hogan seconded the motion. All In favor; motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS

None

PUBLIC FORUM (CITIZEN COMMENTS)

None

EXECUTIVE (CLOSED) SESSION

None

SCHEDULE NEXT IVRD MEETING

The next IVRD meeting will be at 10:00 a.m., Tuesday, March 31, 2020.

ADJOURNMENT

Brian Fisher made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Jim Knoblauch seconded the motion. All in favor; motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 11:19 a.m.